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Michigan's Judicial Branch

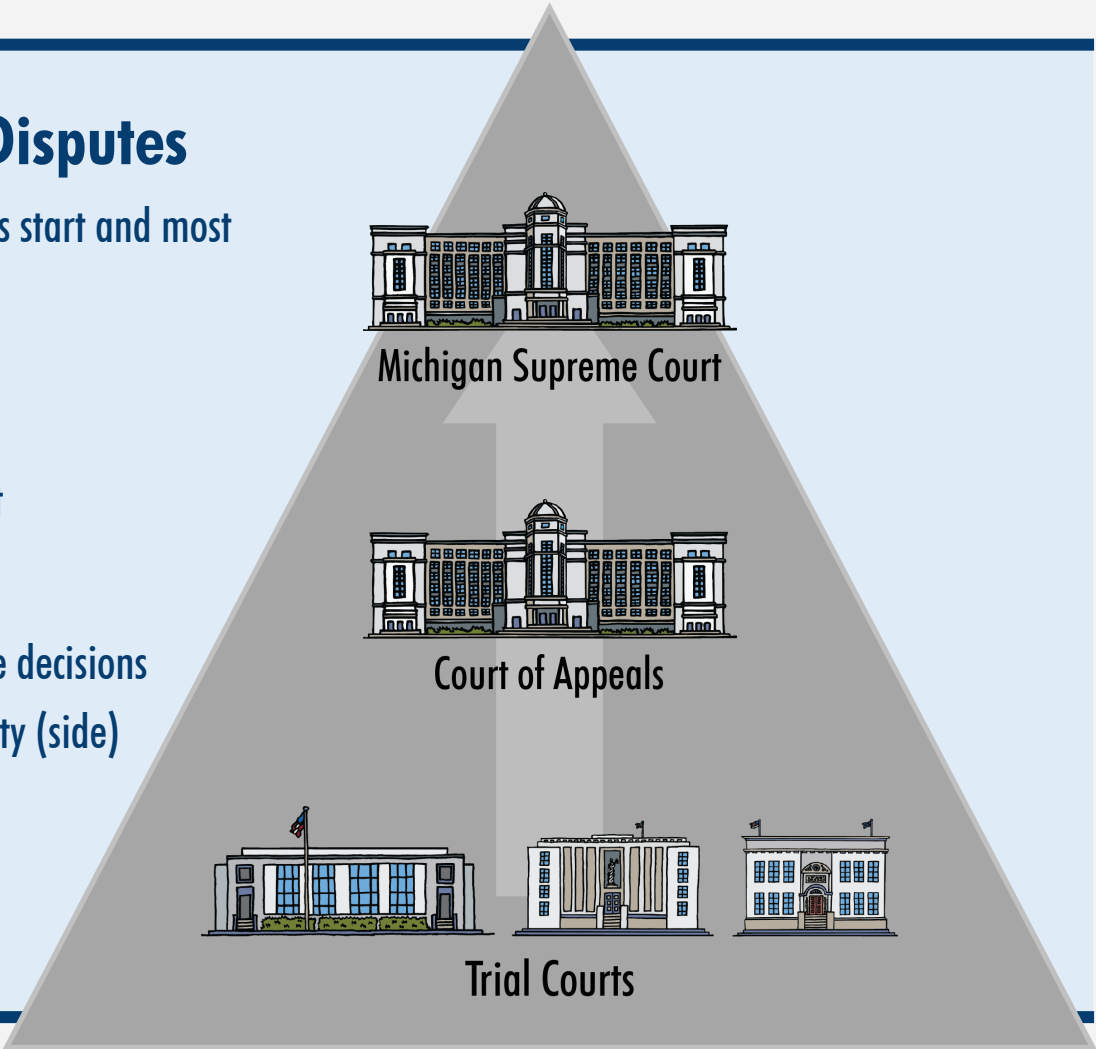
Courts Resolve Disputes

Trial courts are where cases start and most cases are resolved.

- Circuit Court
- Probate Court
- District/Municipal Court
- Court of Claims

Appellate courts review the decisions of lower courts when a party (side) appeals.

- Court of Appeals
- Supreme Court



Trial Courts

Facts Are Decided
6-12 Jurors, Witnesses
1 Judge

Court of Appeals

Error-Correcting Court
No Jurors, No Witnesses
3-Judge Panels

Supreme Court

State's Highest Court
No Jurors, No Witnesses
7 Justices

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